

EFW

PATENT

Case Docket No. BSST.009CP1

Date: October 22, 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Lon E. Bell  
Appl. No. : 10/642,980  
Filed : August 18, 2003  
For : THERMOELECTRIC POWER  
GENERATION SYSTEMS  
Examiner : Unknown  
Group Art Unit : 3744

Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all marked attachments are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Amendment, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on

October 22, 2004

(Date)

Bruce S. Itchkawitz, Reg. No. 47,677

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop Amendment  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

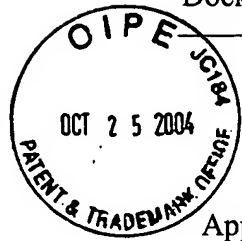
Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 citing forty-five (45) references, with copies of nine (9) references.
- (X) A return prepaid postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.

Bruce S. Itchkawitz  
Registration No. 47,677  
Attorney of Record  
Customer No. 20,995  
(949) 760-0404



## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant : Lon E. Bell  
App. No. : 10/642,980  
Filed : August 18, 2003  
For : THERMOELECTRIC POWER  
GENERATION SYSTEMS  
Examiner : Unknown  
Group Art Unit : 3744

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing forty-five (45) references. Copies of disclosed U.S. patents and/or publications are not included pursuant to PTO waiver of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) for applications filed after June 30, 2003. Copies of other references, if listed, are enclosed.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP

Dated: 10/22/04

By: Bruce S. Itchkawitz  
Bruce S. Itchkawitz  
Registration No. 47,677  
Attorney of Record  
Customer No. 20,995  
(949) 760-0404

FORM PTO-1449

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEATTY. DOCKET NO.  
BSST.009CP1APPLICATION NO.  
10/642,980INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
BY APPLICANT

(USE SEVERAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

APPLICANT  
Lon E. BellFILING DATE  
August 18, 2003GROUP  
3744

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE (IF APPROPRIATE)
	1	2,027,534	01/14/36	Ingersoll			
	2	2,944,404	07/12/60	Fritts			
	3	2,949,014	08/16/60	Belton, Jr. et al.			
	4	3,004,393	10/17/61	Alsing			
	5	3,071,495	01/01/63	Hänlein			
	6	3,129,116	04/14/64	Corry			
	7	3,178,895	04/20/65	Mole et al.			
	8	3,213,630	10/26/65	Mole			
	9	3,527,621	09/08/70	Newton			
	10	3,626,704	12/14/71	Coe, Jr.			
	11	3,663,307	05/16/72	Mole			
	12	3,817,043	06/18/74	Zoleta			
	13	4,038,831	08/02/77	Gaudel et al.			
	14	4,420,940	12/20/83	Buffet			
	15	4,499,329	02/12/85	Benicourt et al.			
	16	4,905,475	03/06/90	Tuomi			
	17	5,038,569	08/13/91	Shirota et al.			
	18	5,193,347	03/16/93	Apisdorf			
	19	5,385,020	01/31/95	Gwilliam et al.			
	20	5,499,504	03/19/96	Mill et al.			
	21	6,000,225	12/14/99	Ghoshal			
	22	6,282,907	08/04/01	Ghoshal			
	23	6,366,832	04/02/02	Lomonaco et al.			
	24	6,412,287	07/02/02	Hughes et al.			
	25	6,530,842	03/11/03	Wells et al.			
	26	6,560,968	05/13/03	Ko			

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

\*EXAMINER: INITIAL IF CITATION CONSIDERED, WHETHER OR NOT CITATION IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH MPEP 609; DRAW LINE THROUGH CITATION IF NOT IN CONFORMANCE AND NOT CONSIDERED. INCLUDE COPY OF THIS FORM WITH NEXT COMMUNICATION TO APPLICANT.

FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT          BY APPLICANT</b>  (USE SEVERAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)	ATTY. DOCKET NO. BSST.009CP1	APPLICATION NO. 10/642,980
	APPLICANT Lon E. Bell	
	FILING DATE August 18, 2003	GROUP 3744

	27	RE 36,242	06/29/99	Apisdorf			
	28	RE 38,128 E	06/03/03	Gallup et al.			
	29	2002/0014261 A1	02/07/02	Caillat et al.			
	30	2002/0139123 A1	10/03/02	Bell			
	31	2002/0148234 A1	10/17/02	Bell			
	32	2003/0079770 A1	05/01/03	Bell			
	33	10/405,001	03/31/03	Co-pending Application; Atty. Docket No. BSST.001C1			
	34	10/642,773	08/12/03	Co-pending Application; Atty. Docket No. BSST.001CP2			
	35	10/632,235	07/31/03	Co-pending Application; Atty. Docket No. BSST.002C1			
	36	10/897,292	07/22/04	Co-pending Application; Atty. Docket No. BSST.006C1			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	37	PCT/US02/03772	07/11/02	PCT Int'l. Search Report				
	38	JP 5-219765	08/27/93	Japan				
	39	GB 2267338	12/01/93	Great Britain				
	40	SE 329 870	10/26/70	Sweden				
	41	SE 337 227	05/25/71	Sweden				
	42	WO 02/065030 A1	08/22/02	WIPO				

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
*EXAMINER: INITIAL IF CITATION CONSIDERED, WHETHER OR NOT CITATION IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH MPEP 609; DRAW LINE THROUGH CITATION IF NOT IN CONFORMANCE AND NOT CONSIDERED, INCLUDE COPY OF THIS FORM WITH NEXT COMMUNICATION TO APPLICANT.	

FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT          BY APPLICANT</b>  (USE SEVERAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)	ATTY. DOCKET NO. BSST.009CP1	APPLICATION NO. 10/642,980
	APPLICANT Lon E. Bell	
	FILING DATE August 18, 2003	GROUP 3744

EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)	
	43	Bell, L.E., "Use of Thermal Isolation to Improve Thermoelectric System Operating Efficiency," Proc. 21 <sup>st</sup> Int'l Conf. on Thermoelectrics, Long Beach, CA (August 2002).
	44	Bell, L.E., "Increased Thermoelectric System Thermodynamic Efficiency by Use of Convective Heat Transport," Proc. 21 <sup>st</sup> Int'l Conf. on Thermoelectrics, Long Beach, CA (August 2002).
	45	Ikoma, K., et al., "Thermoelectric Module and Generator for Gasoline Engine Vehicles," 17 <sup>th</sup> Int'l Conf. on Thermoelectrics, Nagoya, Japan, pp. 464-467 (1998).

H:\DOCS\BSI\BSI-6946.DOC  
102104

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
*EXAMINER: INITIAL IF CITATION CONSIDERED, WHETHER OR NOT CITATION IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH MPEP 609; DRAW LINE THROUGH CITATION IF NOT IN CONFORMANCE AND NOT CONSIDERED, INCLUDE COPY OF THIS FORM WITH NEXT COMMUNICATION TO APPLICANT.	